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**CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)
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This is a request for a continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09/107,684, filed on June 30, 1998, entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR INITIALIZING LOGICAL OBJECTS IN A DATA STORAGE SYSTEM.

NOTES

FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 USC 371. A Notice will be placed on a patent issuing from a CPA, except for reissues and designs, to the effect that the patent issued on a CPA and is subject to the twenty-year patent term provisions of 35 USC 154(a)(2). Therefore, the prior application of a CPA may have been filed before, on or after June 8, 1995.

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to EXPRESSLY ABANDON the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or applications in the file jacket.

35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such a request, 37 CFR 1.78(a).

1. ☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
2. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
 - a. ☐ DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
 - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
4. ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
5. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:
 - a. ☐ PTO-1449
 - b. ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

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	TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	22-20=	2 x	\$ 18	= \$ 36.00
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	3-3=	0 x	\$ 80	= \$ 0.00
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d)) +			\$	= \$
				BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))	\$ 710.00
	Fee for Petition of Extension of Time (if any)				\$ 890.00
	Total of above Calculations =				\$ 1,636.00
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6. Small entity status:

- a. ☐ A small entity statement is enclosed.
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- c. ☐ Is no longer claimed.
7. a. ☒ No fee is enclosed.
- b. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the filing fee and additional claims fee in the amount of \$1636.00 to the undersigned Deposit Account No. 23/2825.
8. ☒ A return receipt postcard is enclosed.

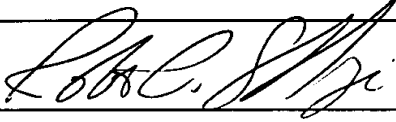
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9. a. ☒ If the filing of any paper in this application necessitates the payment of a fee under 37 CFR §§ ☒ 1.16 ☒ 1.17 or ☐ 1.18, and the fee due is in an amount different from any enclosed check or if no check is enclosed, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.
- b. ☒ The applicant hereby revokes any prior authorization to charge a fee due under 37 CFR §§ ☐ 1.16, ☐ 1.17, or ☒ 1.18.
10. If the timely filing of this CPA request or any other paper in this application necessitates an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136(a), the applicant hereby requests such extension of time. If the fee due is in an amount different from any enclosed check or if no check is enclosed, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.

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